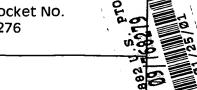


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## To the Assistant Commissioner for Patents:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of:

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corresponding to Japanese application No. 17587/2000, filed January 26, 2000,

entitled: ATM EXCHANGE AND METHOD OF OPERATING THE SAME

## **Enclosed are:**

Х	22 pages of specification.			
Х	17 sheets of formal drawings.			
Х	a newly-executed declaration of the inventor.			
	a copy of an executed declaration of the inventor from prior application Serial No. , filed .			
	incorporation by reference. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied as indicated in the preceding box, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.			
Х	an assignment of the invention to NEC Corporation, including assignment cover sheet.			
Х	Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.			
Х	copies of the Information Disclosure Statement citations.			
	preliminary amendment.			
Х	return receipt postcard (MPEP 503), specifically itemized.			
	applicant claims small entity status under 37 CFR 1.27.			
Х	a certified copy of the Japanese Priority Document.			
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